

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

No new matter is being added to the Specification by the following amendments.

Please replace the title with the new title, as follows:

PREPARING A JOB FOR EXECUTION BY A BATCH JOB EXECUTION SYSTEM

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 21 as follows:

If an increase_capacity signal is received from job management apparatus 104, provider manager 124 may respond with a signal indicating that provider manager 124 is already operating at full capacity. In an embodiment, service providers 106a-106c may send control messages to provider manager 124. ~~For example, a service provider may send provider manager 124 a signal indicating that it~~